

REMARKS

Claims 13-27 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 13-24 are amended and claims 25-27 are added.

Applicants appreciate the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 13-24.

Claims 13-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. By this Amendment, claims 13, 21 and 22 have been amended in order to remove the exemplary language. It is respectfully requested that the rejection be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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